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The Honorable Claiborne Pell
Chairman
Committee on Foreign Relations
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

In your 23 May 1988 letter, you asked that the 5 May 1971 transcript of testimony given by former Director of Central Intelligence Helms before the Committee on Foreign Relations be reviewed for additional selected declassification. After careful consideration, we agree that the following passages may be declassified and released for use by researchers at the National Archives:

Page 37, lines 2 through 25

Pages 38 and 39 through page 40, lines 1 and 2

The remainder of the passages requested for declassification continue to be classified.

In the course of the document review, the Agency has determined that pages 42 through 44, 73, 75 and 90 through 93 could be declassified. This declassification must be coordinated with the Department of State.

Thank you for your patience in this review.

Sincerely,

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John L. Helgeson
Director of Congressional Affairs

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